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HOUSE BILL NO. 1106

AN ACT

To repeal sections 52.010, 54.033, 54.330, and 115.342, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to certain public offices that have statutory bond requirements.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section A. Sections 52.010, 54.033, 54.330, and 115.342,
- 2 RSMo, are repealed and four new sections enacted in lieu thereof,
- 3 to be known as sections 52.010, 54.033, 54.330, and 115.342, to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 52.010. $\underline{1}$ At the general election in 1906, and every four
- 6 years thereafter, a collector, to be styled the collector of the
- 7 revenue, shall be elected in each of the counties of this state,
- 8 except counties under township organization, who shall hold his
- 9 <u>or her</u> office for four years and until his successor is duly
- 10 elected and qualified. The collector shall [be a resident of]
- 11 reside in the county from which such person [was] is elected
- 12 throughout his or her term in office.
- 13 2. Except in any county with a charter form of government,
- 14 a candidate for the office of collector shall be at least twenty-
- one years of age and a resident of the state and the county in

- which he or she is a candidate for at least one year prior to the
- 2 <u>date of filing for such office. The candidate shall be a</u>
- 3 registered voter and current in the payment of all state income
- 4 taxes and personal and real property taxes.
- 5 54.033. In the event of a vacancy caused by death,
- 6 resignation, or otherwise, in the office of county treasurer in
- 7 any county except a county having a township form of government
- 8 with an office of collector-treasurer and any county with a
- 9 charter form of government, the county commission shall appoint a
- deputy treasurer or a qualified person to serve as an interim
- 11 treasurer until said treasurer returns or the unexpired term is
- filled under section 105.030. Such individual must be eligible
- 13 to serve as a county treasurer under section 54.040, and must
- comply with section 54.090.
- 15 54.330. 1. A candidate for county collector-treasurer
- shall be at least twenty-one years of age and a resident of the
- 17 county in which he or she is a candidate for at least one year
- prior to the date of filing for the office. The candidate shall
- 19 also be a registered voter and shall be current in the payment of
- 20 all state income taxes and personal and real property taxes. A
- 21 <u>collector-treasurer shall reside in the county throughout his or</u>
- 22 her term in office and shall remain in office until a successor
- is duly elected and qualified.
- 2. County collector-treasurers [in a county having township
- organization], shall be required to give bonds as other county
- 26 collectors under the general revenue law, and shall have the sole
- 27 authority to appoint deputies as provided to other county
- collectors under section 52.300.

- [2.] 3. Before entering upon the duties for which they are employed, deputies and assistants employed in the office of any collector-treasurer shall give bond and security to the satisfaction of the collector-treasurer. The bond for each individual deputy or assistant shall not exceed one-half of the amount of the maximum bond required for any collector-treasurer. The official bond required pursuant to this section shall be a surety bond with a surety company authorized to do business in this state. The premium of the bond shall be paid by the county or city being protected.
 - 4. In the event of a vacancy caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, in the office of collector-treasurer, the county clerk shall follow the procedures in section 52.180 that apply when there is a vacancy in the office of collector in other counties.

- 115.342. 1. Any person who files as a candidate for election to a public office shall be disqualified from participation in the election for which the candidate has filed if such person is delinquent in the payment of any state income taxes, personal property taxes, real property taxes on the place of residence, as stated on the declaration of candidacy, or if the person is a past or present corporate officer of any fee office that owes any taxes to the state.
- 2. Each potential candidate for election to a public office shall file an affidavit with the department of revenue and include a copy of the affidavit with the declaration of candidacy required under section 115.349. Such affidavit shall be in substantially the following form: "AFFIRMATION OF TAX PAYMENTS

AND BONDING REQUIREMENTS:

3. Upon receipt of a complaint alleging a delinquency of the candidate in the filing or payment of any state income taxes, personal property taxes, real property taxes on the place of residence, as stated on the declaration of candidacy, or if the person is a past or present corporate officer of any fee office that owes any taxes to the state, the department of revenue shall investigate such potential candidate to verify the claim contained in the complaint. If the department of revenue finds a positive affirmation to be false, the department shall contact the secretary of state, or the election official who accepted such candidate's declaration of candidacy, and the potential candidate. The department shall notify the candidate of the outstanding tax owed and give the candidate thirty days to remit any such outstanding taxes owed which are not the subject of dispute between the department and the candidate. If the

- candidate fails to remit such amounts in full within thirty days,

 the candidate shall be disqualified from participating in the

 current election and barred from refiling for an entire election

 cycle even if the individual pays all of the outstanding taxes

 that were the subject of the complaint.